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SUBJECT: TERRORIST FINANCE: AL AQSA FOUNDATION OPERATING
UNDER A DIFFERENT NAME?

Classified By: Economic Counselor Mark Tokola Reason 1.5(b) and (d)

[1](#)1. (U) The Dutch newspaper Trouw reported today that Al Aqsa Foundation has continued its operations under the auspices of the Israa Foundation. Israa is an acronym for "internationale steun rechtstreeks aan armen" or "International Direct Support for the Poor."

[1](#)2. (SBU) Israa is headquartered at Hudsonstraat 97A, 3025CE Rotterdam. mailing address Postbus 11208, 3004EE Rotterdam, telephone 010-462-5201. The officers of Israa are

Chairman: El Saleh, Bassam
DPOB: February 16, 1975, Damascus, Syria
Address: Schimmelpenninckstraat 36A 3135NZ Vlaardingen, Netherlands

Secretary: El Moussaoui, El Khansaa

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Treasurer: van Ettinger, Maurice Raymondo
DPOB: February 14, 1970, Den Haag (s-Gravenhage), Netherlands
Address: Hudsonstraat 97A
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Board Member: El Saleh-El Moussaoui, Siham
DPOB: April 22, 1979, Al Hoceima, Morocco
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[1](#)3. (C) Meanwhile one of our non-governmental contacts has flagged the Al Maktabah Foundation as a possible front organization for the Al Aqsa Foundation in the Netherlands. Although our contact had no firm evidence linking the two groups, he said that the behavior of Al Maktabah and Al Aqsa are similar. For example, Al Aqsa Foundation often raised funds at Palestinian rallies for which it was neither the organizer nor the speaker. On 5/31-6/1 Al Maktabah was fundraising at a Rotterdam festival at which The Dutch Palestine Committee was the only political organization authorized (in terms of actually having a permit) to participate. We have no additional information linking Al Aqsa Foundation with Al Maktabah Foundation. However, we wanted to provide Washington agencies with the particulars on this foundation should evidence of a link later emerge.

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